

Mr. Scribble Scratch, the fairy school-master, laid down his chalk when Mark Muskrat called out that there was a spider-web over the hole in the TASTE IN INTERIOR DECfloor, so that Muffy Mole and Floppy Field Mouse couldn't have gone that way when they disappeared.

Sar' Ann Spider, over in her corner, went on industriously with her spelling FITS THEM FOR REAL and never flickered an eye-lid. "We'll have to send the attendance officer for them at once," said Scribble

Scratch, looking worried.

But Nick was already busy. He had heard what the little mole-boy and want it clearly understood that we are mouse-boy had said to the spider-girl on their way to school, so he was watch- not giddy, idle speicty women out for ing. After school had taken up, he saw the earth moving suspiciously, right fun in business, but that we know under the grass by the school-house window, a little mound that kept shoving thead almost as rapidly as you could draw a chalk mark on the blackboard.



Nick knew what that meant-Muffy Mole's sharp little nose and strong shovellike paws were makin gfor freedom and a good day's bunting, and right at his heels, no doubt, Floppy Field Mouse was urging him to hurry, longing just as do is to get the two principals tomuch for a chance at the sweet-corn patch, as Muffy was for juicy earthworms, gether-land and office-holder." Pretty soon Floppy would wiggle through the top earth and chase like a streak

At first Nick thought of digging up the culprits and hauling them back to school, but he knew what a quick digger Muff was, and it was altogether likely he would lose them both. So he decided upon another plan. With his little Green Shoes to help him, he found Munchie Mouse's house in the cellar of mittees. Maple Tree Flats, and from there he went across Root Street to Mike Mole's full course in the Merchants' and

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across the meadow to the cornfield.

In both cases he handed in this report: "Your son is playing truant."

> SERMONS STOLEN tion. ROCKFORD, Ill.-The health dewho robbed the study of the Rev. W. H. Fulton, Presbyterian pastor here, of several hundred sermons while he was on his vacation. "They ate 'em," complained he. "and never touched the cheese in the traps." "Must have been pretty fair stuff," comments the cop



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## SOCIAL ABILITY NO HANDICAP IN BUSINESS, SAYS REAL ESTATE WOMAN

BELIEVES WOMEN'S ORATION ESPECIALLY ESTATE

NEW YORK,-"To begin with, I quite well what we are in for.

The speaker was Miss Katherine Force, sister of Mrs. William Dick, whose first husband, John Jacob Astor, went down with the Titanic. Miss-Force is in the real estate business in

"Because I play tennis well I do my office work well," she says. "The more kinds of ability a woman has, the better fitted she is for competitive

Society No Handicap "And certainly a society women is in no way handicapped. The greater the social accomplishment, the greater the business accomplishment: if you can serve tea beautifully it is pretty likely that you can transact business

"The real estate business is, in a way, like ail big things-the bigger the proposition, such as the handling of an enormous office building, the simplier, the more dignified and pleasant the handling. To rent three rooms and bath, that is the difficult thing-there you contend with the neryous housewife, who worries about the electric lights, and the steam heat, and the matter of hot and cold water, whereas in the bigger business, all you Connected with Miss Force in her real estate office are Miss L. A. Morse, who was with the Red Cross during the war; Miss Mary Tolstoy, who was a nurse, and Julie Lentillhon who served on many war work com-Miss Force herself took a Bankers' Business College.

Interior Decoration "I think women especially fitted for this line of work," says Miss Force, because they have more taste than men in the matter of interior decora-A man does not think about partment has been asked to search for the wall-paper. He has no patience evitably change for better or for worse. business unless you put everything the sacriligious rogues and miscreants with the matching of doorknobs and He just sees so many rooms, in such that's in you into it. A college edu-

> erty blues," a crate of vegetables and when interviewed had begun to consume the municipal wharf.

STRAIGHTEN THEM OUT 16 TIMES PEORIA, Ill.-For the sixteenth time "LITTLE BEN" HAS
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> nouse and told of its ventilation, "I don' think your modern dwelling has anything on our old-fashloned frame house in that respect," returned the caller. "Every night we lock the cat in the cellar and let her out of the attic in the morning."-Houston Post.

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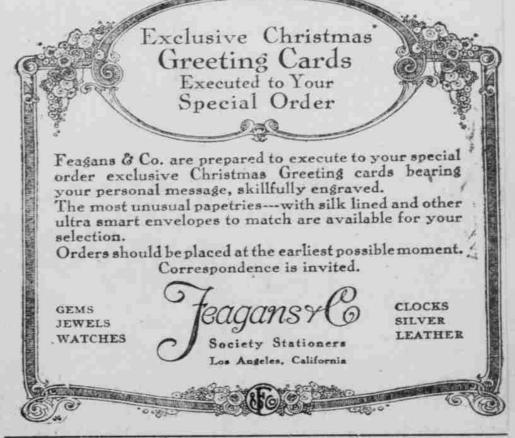
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consideration the effect of night lights to pull you through, because it isn't. sunlight in the kitchen, or the color of in a house, or that the colors must in- Don't think that a business will be a baseboards. He does not take into and such a locality, and its renting cation is not necessary, but it does not

"My only advice to women is: Know whatever you do with fire, ability and your job first—de i't think a smatter-ing of learning on the subject is going rected, a culture in itself."

KATHERINE

hinder-and above all things, go about



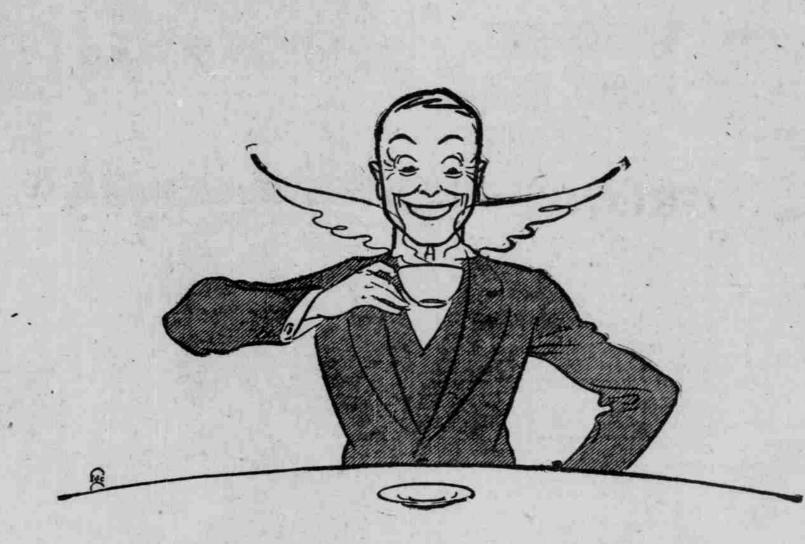
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